Assocham views of Privatisation of PSUs

*131 : dHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry has urged Government to come out with a well-structured policy on privations of public sector undertakings;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard;

(c) whether the various views of the ASSOCHAM have been examined by Government; and

(d) if so by when the views are likely to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) In a privately organised seminar by Members of ASSOCHAM, it was urged that the Government should come out with a well structured policy on privatisation. However, the views expressed in the seminar did not reflect those of the Managing Committe or Expert Committees of ASSOCHAM.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of the above.

Notices for closure of PSUs

*132. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have receivecd notices for closing down some PSUs from BIFR which are under the administrative jurisdiction of the Ministry of Industry;

(b) whether Government have taken any decision thereon;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what are the names of the PSUs which have been issued show cause notices for closing down their respective units ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) to (d) The Government has received show-cause notices from BIFR for closing down three PSUs under the administrative control of the Department of Heavy Industry, namely, National Bicycle Corporation of India Ltd., Cycle Corporation of India Ltd., and Tannery & Footwear Corporation of India Ltd. Government have taken a decision in respect of National Bi cycle Corporation of India Ltd. not to contest the recommendations of BIFR for winding-up. The cases of the other two companies are under consideration.

Letters received from Members of Parliament

*133. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of letters written by the Members of Parliament to the Ministry of Industry during the period from 1st April, 1990 to 31st March, 1993, alongwith year-wise details thereof;

(b) what is the number of letters out of them that were acknowledged;

(c) what is the number of letters in respect of which final replies were sent; and

(d) what is the breakup of final letters issued by the Ministry containing positive and negative replies resprectively ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) 3341 letters were received in the Ministry from the Members of Parliament during the period from 1-4-90 to 31-3-93 Details are as follows :—

Period	Number of letters
(i) 1-4-90 to 31-3-91 . .	1249
(ii) 1-4-91 to 31-3-92 . .	1013
(iii) 1-4-92 to 31-3-93 . .	1079
TOTAL .	3341

(b) 3293.

(c) 2587.

(d) The suggestions contained in letters of Members of Parliament are given full consideration and replies are sent according to the nature of the suggestions.

Foreign Collaboration in Sea Wave Power Generating Stations

*134. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a Wave Power Generating Station has been set up off the sea coast of Tamil Nadu, in collaboration with some foreign company;